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**Scottsdale Hosts Ninth Annual Green Building EXPO Event
October 6 and 7 at the Scottsdale Center for the Performing Arts. 7380 E. 2nd Street.**

Scottsdale, Ariz. - There couldn't be a better time for the ninth annual Green Building Expo. With the Phoenix area recently scorched by the hottest June on record, skyrocketing gas prices forcing drivers to rethink energy consumption, and Former Vice President Al Gore's global warming movie warning of worse to come, citizens and businesses are invited to learn about alternatives. Held October 6 and 7, 2006 at the Scottsdale Center for the Performing Arts, this year's event will highlight a wide array of environmentally sound solutions for government agencies, businesses and citizens.

The 2006 Green Building Expo event, which is free to all attendees, will include 50-60 exhibitor booths that feature innovative building techniques, indoor environmental quality products such as paints and flooring materials, energy efficient windows, and insulations for walls and attics, to name a few, that show us we have better choices. Attendees will have the opportunity to meet professionals who have implemented rain water harvesting systems and graywater dispersement systems, photo voltaic panels, edible gardens and green remodeling, all of which can contribute to savings of natural resources and money on electric and water bills. Solar incentives and legislative updates will be presented as well as displays of fuel efficient vehicles such as the Smart Car and the Zebra which runs totally off batteries. The event also features demonstrations and workshops. The Friday schedule begins at 9 a.m. and concludes at 7 p.m.; the Saturday schedule begins at 9 a.m. and concludes at 5 p.m.

"Far more than an industry fair, the Green Building Expo is about sustainability," says Anthony Floyd, Scottsdale Green Building Manager. "We want our world to be a better place to live; we want our food sources to be safe; and many of us suffer from allergies and exposure to inadequate lighting, chlorine and other toxins. This is an exciting opportunity to learn first-hand from the experts, simple and affordable green solutions to make better use of our natural resources and discuss how we can become a collective force of change."

We are very excited about having Randall Stout, world-renowned architect based in LA as our Friday keynote speaker. He will be speaking from his book "Environmental Alchemy" and will be available for book signing on Friday after his noon presentation.

Paula LaPorte, architect and Robert LaPorte, builder, will be the keynote speakers at noon on Saturday in the main auditorium. Owners of EcoNest, the LaPortes are based in Santa Fe, New Mexico and are nationally known speakers on the role of architecture in designing energy efficient homes. They will also be available for book signing on Friday and Saturday.

Event attendees will be able to purchase books on Green Building, architecture and other sustainable subjects and several authors will be available for book signing. This year's event also incorporates opportunities to view a variety of short films and documentaries running continuously in the main auditorium.

For a complete listing of speakers, workshops and demonstrations visit

<http://www.greenbuildingexpo.com>

Scottsdale's Green Building Program was established in 1998 as a voluntary program to reduce the environmental impact of building. For more information about this program visit the city of Scottsdale green building web site at: <http://www.scottsdaleaz.gov/greenbuilding>